DISCLOSURE DIVISION

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DATE: 6/30/2020

DOCKET #:

Ashley Wimberley, Director **Disclosure Division**

FILER INFORMATION

Name: Cynthia Alexander Green

Address:

260 Oakmont Drive, New Orleans, LA 70128

Alt. Address:

P.O.Box 871646, New Orleans, LA 70187

Office/Position: Eastover Property Owners Association

Dates of Service: 2016-2018

Number of Disclosures and/or Amendments Filed with Agency: 3

REPORT INFORMATION

Name of Report: Tier 2.1 Annual Personal Financial Disclosure covering calendar year 2017

Report ID: PFD19008158 Original Due Date: 5/15/2018

NOD Received: 1/11/2019 - Signed by: Unable to Determine

PFD/Answer Due Date based on NOD:1/23/2019

PFD/Answer Filed: 6/3/2019

LATE FEE INFORMATION

Amount of Late Fee: \$1500 Days late from receipt of NOD: 131 Total days late from initial due date: 384 Late Fee Order Received: 5/18/2020

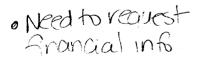
Payment/Waiver Request Due Date: 6/8/2020

Waiver Request Received: 5/29/2020

COMMENTS:

Cynthia Alexander Green is requesting a Waiver for the late filing of her 2017 Disclosure Statement. Ms. Green stated she recalled submitting her PFD in May 2017, but when she looked at her records, she realized she faxed her 2016 PFD instead. She never thought she sent in the wrong document. Ms. Green stated there was "no malice" nor "ignoring the requirements" for her filing, she simply thought she submitted the correct documents.

She has since resigned from her term of 16 months on the board; and said she cannot afford a \$1500 fine, as it was an honest mistake. Paying this fine will affect her ability to pay other monthly bills for some time. She is a Senior Citizen on a fixed income of Social Security, a \$400 military check, and a couple days a week of work to make ends meet. She asks the Ethics Board to please consider she income when making her waiver decision.



OTHER LATE FEE INFORMATION

Disclosure Statements:

- Other Outstanding Statements: No
- Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
- Prior Late Fees: No
 - Reassessed Late Fees: No

Campaign Finance:

- Outstanding Late Fees: No
- Prior Late Fees: No



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CYNTHIA ALEXANDER GREEN

260 Oakmont Dr. New Orleans, LA 70128

Telephone: (504) 610-2849

Fax Cover Sheet

1-225-381-727 LA Ethics - Compliance Department

To:

Ashley Kimberley, Director - Disclosure Department

Fax:

From:

Cynthia Alexander Green

Date:

May 26, 2020

Subject:

Tier 2.1 Annual Financial Disclosure Statement for 2017

Late Fee Assessment Report: PFD19008158

Number of Pages:

Comments:

Please note I am requesting a Waiver for the 2017 Personal Disclosure Statement

and Appealing the \$1500 fee for non-compliance

Last week I received correspondence dtd 5/11/2020 - that I would be fined \$1500 for not turning in the 2017 Disclosure Statement. I recalled sending the statement in May 2017, that's the reason I didn't understand what occurred. I looked on my computer and saw that I faxed it in on May 15, 2017 therefore I assumed it was correct; but I looked at my statement and it stated 2016 statement instead of 2017.

I became a member of the Board in September 2016, and I thought that the statement I sent in May 2017 - was correct. In fact, I even received an email from Eastover's Office Clerk stating that everyone did their Ethics requirement and turned in the certificate to her and the Personal Disclosure Statement. I never thought I sent in the wrong document for 2017, if I had known I could have made a copy and change the year 2017 and turned in 2016 even though I wasn't on the Board but 4 months in 2016. There was no malice or ignoring the requirements - I thought I sent in the right document. For some reason I thought that 2016 had to be filed in 2016 and that 2017 had to be done in 2018. I got off of the Board in April 2018 - so it was approximately 16 months only. I did not understand it was incorrect. I cannot afford a \$1500 fine for an honest mistake, which will also affect my ability to pay my monthly bills for a while. I'm a Sr. Citizen on a fixed income, which SS and \$400 military check as well as work a couple days a week to make ends meet. Please take the above information my fixed income status into consideration when making the decision.



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January 8, 2019

CERTIFIED MAIL

NO. 70182290000112037096

RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Cynthia A. Green POB 871646 New Orleans, LA 70187

RE:NOTICE OF DELINQUENCY - FAILURE TO FILE Statement covering 2017

Dear Cynthia A. Green:

Pursuant to La. R.S. 42:1124.4, if a person fails to file a Personal Financial Disclosure Statement as required by 42:1124, 1124.2, 1124.2.1, or 1124.3; omits information; or files inaccurately, a Notice of Delinquency shall be issued. A review of our records indicates that we have not received your Personal Financial Disclosure Statement.

You have 7 business days from the date of receipt of this Notice to file your Tier 2.1 Personal Financial Disclosure Statement covering 2017, or to submit an Answer explaining why you feel you are not required to file a Personal Financial Disclosure Statement. Failure to file a Personal Financial Disclosure Statement or an Answer within the 7 business days will subject you to an automatic late fee of \$50 per day up to a maximum of \$1,500. Proof of timely filing is determined by the U.S. Postal Service postmark; receipt from the U.S. Postal Service; or receipt from a commercial delivery service.

The form for the Tier 2.1 Personal Financial Disclosure Statement (Form 417) is available on the Louisiana Board of Ethics website at www.ethics.la.gov. If you have any questions, you may contact me at 225/219-5600 or 800/842-6630.

Sincerely,

Blair Perkins

Compliance Officer

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Complete items 1, 2, and 3. Print your name and address on the reverse so that we can return the card to you. Attach this card to the back of the mailpiece, or on the front if space permits. 1. Article Addressed to: Cynthia A. Green POB 871646 New Orleans, LA 70187	A. Signature X.
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